

Oversight and Government Reform Committee Markup Summary – October 9, 2015

Start: 10:12 a.m.
End: 11:50 a.m.

Members Present: Chaffetz, Mica, Jordan, Walberg, Amash, Gosar, DesJarlais, Lummis, Meadows, DeSantis, Mulvaney, Buck, Walker, Blum, Hice, Russell, Carter, Grothman, Hurd, Cummings, Maloney, Norton, Clay, Lynch, Cooper, Connolly, Cartwright, Duckworth, Kelly, Lawrence, Lieu, Watson Coleman, Plaskett, DeSaulnier, Welch, and Lujan Grisham.

H.R. 10 (Boehner), the Scholarships for Opportunity and Results Reauthorization Act

- 1) Mr. Chaffetz offered a Manager's Amendment that strengthens the accreditation standards for participating schools; clarifies how rollover funds are to be used for the OSP; ensures the Department of Education evaluates student satisfaction in its review (as it had previously); makes technical changes to clarify certain terminology; and ensures that the evaluators have access to necessary data to conduct the study. The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.
- 2) Ms. Norton offered an amendment to cap OSP students to 50% of a school's enrollment, without affecting current voucher students or siblings, and restore the randomized control study requirement. The amendment was defeated by voice vote.
- 3) Mr. Meadows offered an amendment that ensures the required evaluation includes performance data of currently evaluated OSP students to ensure a more comprehensive review of the program. The amendment was agreed to by voice vote.

The bill, H.R. 10, as amended, was ordered reported favorably to the House, by a recorded vote of 16 yeas to 14 nays.

Voting Yea: Chaffetz, Mica, Jordan, Walberg, Amash, Gosar, DesJarlais, Lummis, Meadows, DeSantis, Mulvaney, Walker, Hice, Russell, Carter, and Hurd.

Voting Nay: Cummings, Maloney, Norton, Clay, Lynch, Cooper, Connolly, Cartwright, Duckworth, Kelly, Watson Coleman, Plaskett, DeSaulnier, and Welch.

(**U.C. for the record – Norton – letter in opposition from members of the D.C. Council)

The following bills were agreed to by unanimous consent:

H.R. 2347 (Clay), the Federal Advisory Committee Act Amendments of 2015;

H.R. 3231 (Cummings), the Federal Intern Protection Act of 2015 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Mr. Cummings);

S. 1172 (Carper), the Edward "Ted" Kaufman and Michael Leavitt Presidential Transitions Improvements Act of 2015 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Mr. Chaffetz and Mr. Cummings);

S. 1576 (Lankford), the Representative Payee Fraud Prevention Act of 2015;

S. 1580 (Tester), the Competitive Service Act of 2015;

(**U.C. for the record – Connolly – letters in support from the Professional Managers Association, the Partnership for Public Service, and the Federal Managers Association.)

S. 1629 (Johnson-WI), the District of Columbia Courts, Public Defender Service, and Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency Act of 2015;

H.R. 136, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1103 USPS Building 1103 in Camp Pendleton, California, as the “Camp Pendleton Medal of Honor Post Office”;

H.R. 2928, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 B Street in Perryville, Arkansas, as the “Harold George Bennett Post Office”;

H.R. 3082, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5919 Chef Menteur Highway in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the "Daryle Holloway Post Office Building";

H.R. 3274, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4567 Rockbridge Road in Pine Lake, Georgia, as the "Francis Manuel Ortega Post Office";

H.R. 3601, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7715 Post Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island, as the "Melvoid J. Benson Post Office Building";

S. 1596, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2082 Stringtown Road in Grove City, Ohio, as the "Specialist Joseph W. Riley Post Office Building"; and,

S. 1826, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 99 West 2nd Street in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, as the Lieutenant Colonel James "Maggie" Megellas Post Office.